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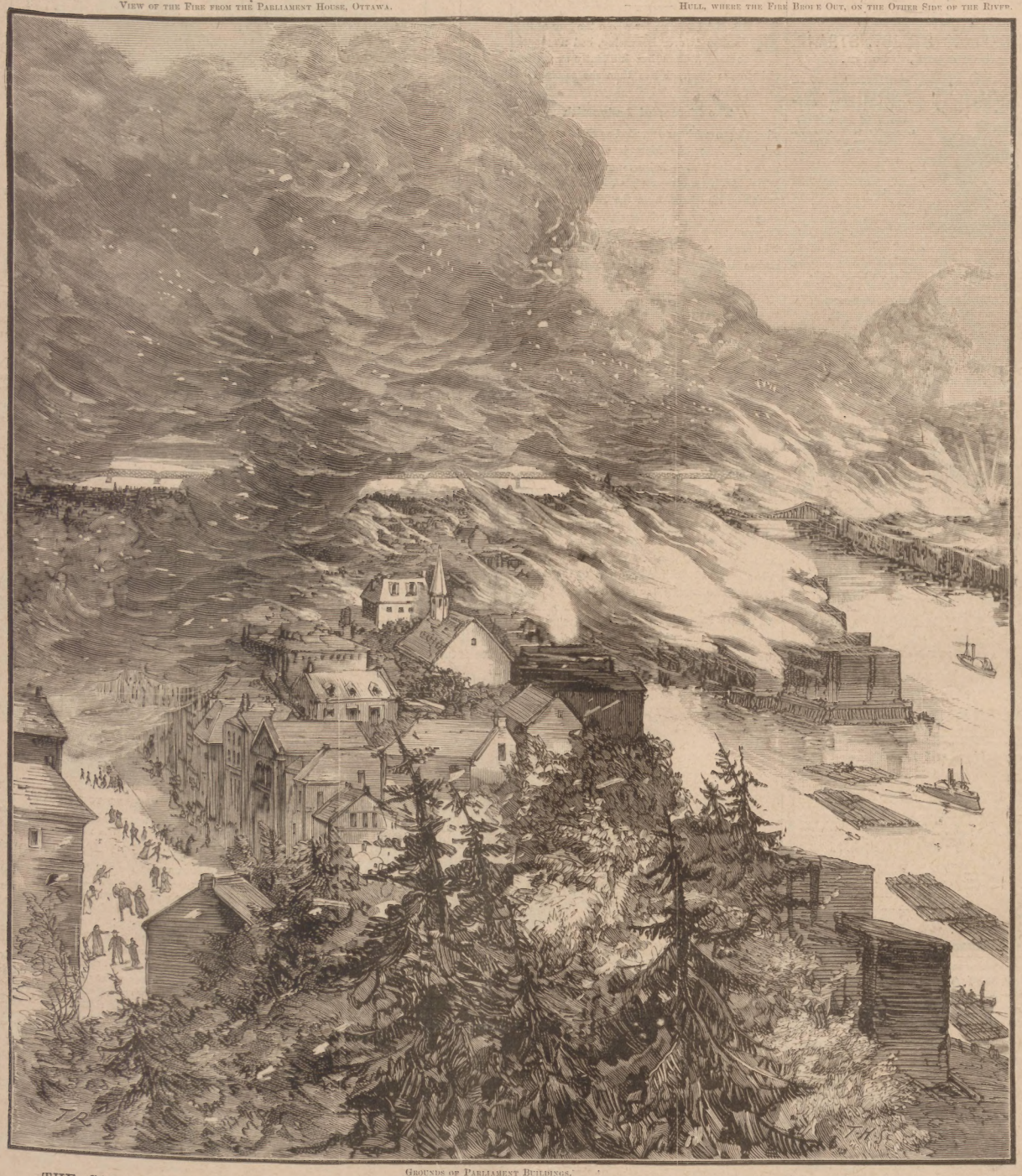

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THE "P.I.P." NARRATIVE OF THE BOER WAR.

OUR QUEEN HONOURS THE HERO OF LADYSMITH, AND "NICK-OF-TIME" JACKS, WITH CAPTAIN THE HON. H. LAMBTON.

"BOERS" RESTORING ORDER IN BLOEMFONTEIN.

FRENCH'S DASHING CAVALRY EXPLOITS IN THE ORANGE FREE STATE.

RELIEF OF WEPENER.

HER MAJESTY, for whom the love of the nation is ever increasing, had no sooner returned from her brilliantly successful visit to the Emerald Isle than she resolved to bestow upon

The Heroes of Ladysmith

what they must have regarded as their crowning reward. After the Marquis of Salisbury had been received at Windsor, and the Prince of Wales had been congratulated by the Queen in person on his escape from the Brussels attempt at assassination, our Sovereign Lady did Sir George and Lady White the honour to entertain them at the Castle prior to Wednesday's memorable royal welcome to the gallant Bluejackets of H.M.S. *Powerful*, who, headed by Captain the Hon. Hedworth Lambton, reached Ladysmith with their guns in the nick of time to help the courageous Defender of Ladysmith to repel the besieging Boers on the day the Battle of Lombard's Kop was fought. How Lambton's Jack Tars manned their guns and peppered the Boers throughout the long and trying siege that ensued, has been duly narrated in the *P.I.P.* Chronicle of the War. These typical sailors of Great Britain, with their plucky Commander, and noble-hearted Sir George White, well deserved Her Majesty's most gracious recognition of their invaluable services, which followed the Mayor of Portsmouth's entertainment in the fine Town Hall of that port. With as keen an eye for brave men as ever Queen Elizabeth had, Queen Victoria would naturally be one of the first to note and to admire the smart and easy-going freedom of Jack's march-past with some of the trusty guns which were served with such splendid devotion in Ladysmith. Jack relished the dinner Portsmouth gave in his honour (and prized, we may be certain, the pipe and "baccy," metal match-box, and watch given him on the occasion); but, depend upon it, he valued still more the feast provided by the thoughtful consideration of his hospitable Queen, whose love of the sea is so well represented by her sailor son and grandsons—the Duke of Coburg, Prince George of Wales, and Prince Henry of Prussia. Well may we one and all feel proud of our venerable Queen! This Imperial crisis has found Her Majesty a real Ruler, quick to reward valour, prompt to express sympathy with sufferers by the War, unrelaxing, despite her great age, in her devotion to the high duties of State. Though Her Majesty is in the strictest sense of the term a Constitutional Monarch, it is an unquestionable fact that never was the Queenly power more potent in this Realm. Royalty, rightly based upon the love of a Free People, is of enormous influence: and it is a pleasure to find that august influence always being used for the encouragement of the brave, as at Windsor this week, and for the amelioration of the sufferings of those who have fallen in the fight for Freedom and for the honour of the British Flag.

Field-Marshal Lord Roberts has wisely remained at Bloemfontein till he was quite ready to begin his fighting march to Pretoria. He has not only had to see to the reclothing and remounting of his men, and to direct the operations which secured the relief of Wepener, and sent the Boers flying from the south of the Orange Free State; he had to conduct the civil government of the city; he had to introduce the good order of British rule to the people of Bloemfontein. Hence his prolonged stay there has been of undoubted service, and has shown the townsfolk how much happier they would be under the settled government to be obtained under the Union Jack.

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MAJOR WILLIAM BABTIE, C.M.G., AWARDED THE V.C. FOR CONSPICUOUS BRAVERY AT THE BATTLE OF COLENSO.

TROOPER TOM MORRIS.
NEW SOUTH WALES LANCERS, THE FIRST COLONIAL TO WIN THE V.C.

A *Standard* telegram from Bloemfontein on Saturday says the Boer patrols at Karee Siding show the deepest anxiety to learn the probable line of our advance. They give out that not a shot will be fired from Brandfort, as it is part of their policy to save the town from bombardment. The bridge over the Vet River is reported to be intact. The enemy are entrenched on the hills to the south-east of Brandfort, but are not likely to make any serious stand against us until we reach Kroonstadt.

Colonel Dalgety's Defence of Wepener.

The *Daily News* has received a graphic telegram from its correspondent describing the gallant defence of Wepener. Colonel Dalgety's force of 1700 men, with six guns, a Hotchkiss,

THE C.I.V. ON THE VELDT.

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HOW CAPTAIN CREWE LOST HIS LIFE IN BRAVELY SEEKING TO SAVE A DISMOUNTED TROOPER.

and three Maxims, took up a position on April 7. It covered some miles of hilly country, and was saucer-shaped with a ridge. In the hollow the camp was formed. The defences were most ingeniously constructed of stones and earth, and are so strong that they are expected to stand for years. On April 9

4000 to 6000 Boers Attacked.

During the siege, lasting seventeen days, the Boers sent 3000 shells into the camp. The *Standard* correspondent provides some instructive particulars of the siege. He says the most striking feature of the investment was its demonstration of the ineffectiveness of artillery-fire against a properly entrenched force.

During the seventeen days Dalgety's men had, fortunately, an ample supply of food and water, and ammunition was also plentiful, except in the case of the guns, which were in danger, towards the end, of running short. Our total casualties, from beginning to end, were only 179, of which about thirty were fatal. The enemy numbered, at times, as many as 8000, but their strength varied from day to day.

How General French drove Botha and De Wet from Dewetsdorp.

We described in our last the co-operative movements by which Generals Brabant, French, Rundle, and Pole-Carew caused the Boers to raise the siege of Wepener. Generals Brabant and Hart had, on Monday, April 23, turned the position of the Boers, barring their passage, and arrived within eight miles of the garrison. Heliographic communication was opened with Wepener and Colonel Dalgety, who reported all well. Next day a determined attempt was made by the Boers at Wepener to storm Colonel Dalgety's northern position, but it was defeated.

The Waterworks at Sanna's Post, occupied by the Boers after the disaster to Colonel Broadwood's column, were on April 23 reoccupied by the Mounted Infantry under Colonel Ian Hamilton. Simultaneously, General Maxwell's Brigade seized the hills commanding a wagon-bridge over the Modder, an important point on the Boer line of communication with the north.

On April 24 the Boers hurriedly

Evacuated Dewetsdorp, which General French Entered

on April 25, and on the same day the enemy investing Wepener, 5000 in number, broke up their camp and trekked towards Ladybrand. Generals French and Rundle established communication, and started in pursuit of the enemy. Heavy were the losses of the Boers, who were commanded by Generals Botha and De Wet.

Wepener being relieved, the south of the Orange Free State was cleared of the hostile Boers.

Lord Roberts's Tribute to the British Commanders

engaged in these brilliant movements was contained in his despatch to Lord Lansdowne—

BLOEMFONTEIN, April 25, 11.50 a.m.

Pole-Carew's Division reached Roode Kop last evening without any casualties. Its advance covered by the cavalry and horse artillery, which drove back the enemy with heavy loss, several of their dead being left on the ground. The mounted troops halted for the night at Grootfontein, and at 7.30 this morning were crossing the Modder at Valsbank in accordance with my instructions to French to endeavour to place himself astride of the enemy's line of retreat.

French's arrival near the Modder evidently, however, alarmed the Boers, for they evacuated their strong position near Dewetsdorp during the night, and it was occupied by Chermside's Division at 8.30 this morning.

The Mounted Infantry under Ian Hamilton drove the enemy off the kopjes in the neighbourhood of the Waterworks without any casualties on our side.

The Highland Brigade marched twenty-four miles yesterday to support General Hamilton, and halted for the night at Klip Kraal, four miles short of Sanna's Post.

Brabant and Hart are still a few miles short of Wepener, and the numbers of the enemy appear to them somewhat increased the last two days, but it is unlikely that there will be much more trouble in the neighbourhood of Wepener once Dewetsdorp is occupied by our troops.

I inspected the City Imperial Volunteer battalion yesterday on their arrival at Bloemfontein. They are in fine form, and look very workmanlike. I also inspected the 48th Company Imperial Yeomanry, the first to reach Bloemfontein. The men turn out smart, and the horses are in admirable condition.

Lord Roberts subsequently wired that the enemy retired from Wepener on April 25 and 26, and that on the former date

General Ian Hamilton Drove the Enemy Off a Strong Position at Israel's Poort

by a well-conceived turning movement, which was admirably carried out by Ridley, the Commander of the Second Mounted Infantry Brigade, and Smith-Dorrien, commanding the Eighteenth Brigade. These troops next day advanced towards Thabanchu. Major Marshall, Grahamstown Mounted Rifles, had a severe wound through the shoulder. Captain H. Gethin was killed, and the remaining wounded were—

Lieutenants Murray (left shoulder, severe), Wimery (abdomen, dangerous), Rawal (forearm, slight), Sergeant Loug (slight), Privates Cleaver (chest, severe), Cowbett (slight), J. Mallard (slight). Royal Canadian Regiment: Colonel W. D. Otter, wounded (slight). The Canadians and Marshall's Horse did particularly well.

A Reuter's Special Service telegram from Maseru, April 30, stated that the large British force which relieved Wepener had entirely evacuated that place.

General French reached Thabanchu

on the morning of April 27 (Lord Roberts next wired) with his cavalry, and met Ian Hamilton and Smith-Dorrien's Brigade there. The enemy were still holding the eastern outlet of the town, from which French and Hamilton were proceeding to turn them out.

In addition to the casualties already reported in Hamilton's Mounted Infantry, Lieutenants Barry and Hill were wounded, both of Marshall's Horse, former severely, latter slightly.

A Patrol from Bethulie

came across a body of the enemy on the Smithfield road on April 25. Private King, of Prince Alfred's Guards, was killed; two men of the Royal Scots and one Army Service Corps man were taken prisoners.

The Yeomanry Cavalry under Brabazon, after reconnoitring as far as Wepener, returned to Dewetsdorp; and General Pole-Carew returned to Bloemfontein.

Lord Roberts informs the War Office that during the fighting which took place on Saturday last, April 28, in the neighbourhood of Thabanchu, the following casualties occurred: Killed: 9th Lancers—Lieutenant S. R. Theobald. 7th Dragoon Guards—Lieutenant C. J. Vaughan, wounded dangerously, but his case is hopeful. Royal Engineers—Lieutenant C. R. Brown, slightly wounded. Other casualties believed to be very few.

Boer Flanking Movement Frustrated.

A Reuter's Special Service telegram from Thabanchu, April 30, says: The Boers made a determined attack on our flank last Sunday. Their object was to seize a pass through the mountains and cut off a convoy. They advanced along the mountains near enough to throw "pom-pom" shells into the pass. General French instantly attacked their flank, sending his troops up into the mountains, which are very precipitous. Darkness coming on enabled the Boers to withdraw.

The same Correspondent stated on Monday last: Their position here is almost impregnable. The mountains extend for miles around the town, and they are rougher even than at Colesberg. A column under General Ian Hamilton, which marched out to the north-west, located the enemy on Monday, and an artillery duel ensued. Firing went on at long range all day.

Abuse of "Bobs's" Clemency.

The *Times* Correspondent at Bloemfontein refers to the abuse of Lord Roberts's clemency shown by the Free Staters. He says: A society antagonistic to the British, containing a considerable number of members, was discovered in Bloemfontein, which was communicating with the enemy and arming under cover of the neighbouring farms. Full information of our movements was carried to the Boer lines by pigeon post and by mounted messengers, the latter pretending to be marketing.

Pole-Carew's Retributive Justice.

The *Morning Post* correspondent at Bloemfontein says: The new policy of retributive justice, instituted in the recent march of General Pole-Carew, has received abundant justification already. The inmates of one farmhouse, which was protected by the white flag, whence the Canadians were fired on, denied absolutely the presence of ammunition. Yet when the farmhouse was burned continuous explosions of large quantities of powder proved that ammunition had been concealed in the various rooms. General Pole-Carew's action is likely to do more to bring the enemy to a sense of the seriousness of our intentions than kindness, which has hitherto been wasted and misconstrued.

General Buller and Lord Roberts.

The Central News says, after the publication of Lord Roberts's criticism on Spion Kop

BOER INHUMANITY: FLOGGING NATIVE WOMEN BACK TO MAFEKING.

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General Buller placed his resignation with Lord Roberts, who refused to accept it.

"Bobs" on Lord Iveagh's Irish Hospital.

Lord Roberts has sent a message to Lord Iveagh describing the Irish hospital as "satisfactory in all respects." Lord Kitchener, in a letter to Sir William Thomson, the senior surgeon, refers to the thoroughly efficient way in which the hospital discharged its duties in the Prieska Expedition.

Hunter to Relieve "B.-P."

Report from Cape Town, taken in conjunction with messages from Kimberley, announcing the arrival of large numbers of troops, has given rise to the belief that a strong force to march to the relief of Mafeking is being organised.

General Sir Archibald Hunter, who shortly after his arrival from Natal went up to Bloemfontein to receive instructions from Lord Roberts, and set off soon afterwards to his command, is understood to be at Kimberley, with Barton's Brigade of his division. The *Daily Express* has received a telegram from Cape Town, of Monday's date, which specifically states that General Hunter will command the Mafeking column, and his "operation will probably be seconded by Methuen."

The Imperial Light Horse from Natal has reached Kimberley.

Good News from Mafeking.

Messrs. Julian Weil and Co., of Gresham Buildings, have received the following despatch from their Mafeking house, dated April 12, per runner, viâ Kimberley: "Most cheerful, everything satisfactory. Semi-anniversary of siege celebrated by Boers firing heavily into the town. Determined attack repulsed. At ten o'clock on morning of 11th had received sixty-eight shells. No casualties."

The *Times* correspondent says: The Boers celebrated the inception of the investment of Mafeking, six months ago, on April 11, by heavy shell fire. The Mafeking garrison celebrated the anniversary by inspecting the horses selected for human consumption. On the following days heavy shelling continued at intervals, a *Standard* telegram added.

Fingoes' Brave Stand Outside Mafeking.

An earlier Mafeking despatch informed us of a gallant stand made by Fingoes at the beginning of April.

It appears that two Baralongs arrived in the native stadt in Mafeking, and offered to show any party of cattle-raiders where a good haul could be made with comparative safety. On hearing this twenty-five Fingoes determined to make an effort to capture the prize, and started out eager for adventure. They were armed chiefly with old muzzle-loading rifles, only one or two of them having breech-loaders.

Their joy, however, was short-lived. The treacherous Baralongs led them into a trap, where they were surrounded and attacked by a Boer patrol. So well did the Fingoes fight, that the Boers, though they outnumbered the natives, were compelled to draw off and await reinforcements. Seeing that escape was impossible, the Fingoes fell back to a pan, the only cover obtainable.

The Boers brought up another hundred men, with a Mannlicher-Maxim and a 1-pounder Maxim-Nordenfelt, and, surrounding the pan, opened a murderous fire.

There was no question of surrender. The leader of the natives, a tall, spare man, named Indabaziti, rallied his men for their last fight

As Alan Wilson Did on the Shangani.

From the rising to the setting sun, those twenty-five Fingoes, armed with obsolete rifles, fought a grim, desperate fight. From their two machine-guns and Mausers the Boers poured a ceaseless fire into their midst, whilst the 1-pound Nordenfelt shells cracked all round like fireworks.

The Fingoes fought till their ammunition was exhausted, and then the Boers killed them to a man. Of the whole party only one, who was wounded, escaped by hiding among some reeds. The natives, in the course of the fight, killed six Boers and wounded a great number.

Native Women Sjamboked.

Lord Roberts himself transmitted the shocking news that the Boers captured several native women trying to escape from Mafeking, but (these) were turned back after having been stripped and sjamboked.

How Captain Crewe Died.

Some gallant deeds occurred during the recent fighting in which Colonel Plumer's column was engaged. Captain Crewe lost his life through going back to bring in Gates, whose horse was killed. A trooper, Lees, when hit, said: "Comrades, never mind me. I am sent for. Give me my rifle and I will have one more shot at them." He fired the shot and rolled over, dead. Colonel Plumer after the fight addressed the troops. He said—

"Men, from my heart I thank you for your behaviour yesterday."

C.I.V.'s on the Veldt.

Right fearlessly, as we all knew they would fight, have our gallant Volunteers borne themselves in the campaign. From Bloemfontein we learn that two of the City Imperials, who were lost on the veldt, took refuge on a kopje, and next morning attacked six unsuspecting Boers. They killed two of the enemy, seized the horses of the others, and returned.

Major Babtie, V.C.

Major William Babtie, C.M.G., Royal Army Medical Corps, has been awarded the Victoria Cross for his conspicuous bravery at the disastrous Battle of Colenso. He rode to a donga in which the wounded of the 14th and 66th Batteries Royal Artillery were lying, and attended them under a heavy fire. Later in the day he went out and brought in Lieutenant Roberts, who was lying wounded on the veldt.

The Sultan

is said to have sent £300 worth of Turkish tobacco and cigarettes to the soldiers and sailors at the front.

Tribute to Villebois-Mareuil.

The *Daily Telegraph* learns from Kimberley that Lord Methuen, at his own expense, has erected a monument over the grave of the late Count de Villebois-Mareuil, bearing the following inscription: "To the memory of Count de Villebois-Mareuil, Colonel of the Foreign Legion of France, and General of the Transvaal. Died on the field of honour near Boshof, April 5. R.I.P."

The *Matin*, of Paris, expresses its gratitude to Lord Methuen for having had erected the tombstone, and says that he acted as an officer and a gentleman.

Ladysmith Heroes to Figure at the Military Tournament.

It is reported that all the best seats for the Royal Military Tournament have already been booked. The pageant has now been completely worked out, and will be illustrative of the Volunteer movement.

The great feature will be the presence, at each performance, of a body of sixty men who were engaged at Ladysmith, from the crew of the *Powerful*, part of the brigade to be reviewed by the Queen on Wednesday. They are to bring their guns with them, and the weapons will be dragged as they were in Natal. This display should prove of singular interest.

THE WAR: GALLANT STAND OF FINGOES AGAINST THE BOERS OUTSIDE MAFEKING.

Explosion at a Boer Arsenal.

A Reuter's telegram from Pretoria, April 28, says: The funeral of the men who lost their lives in the explosion at Begbie's Foundry took place in Johannesburg on Thursday. The ceremony was very impressive. Speeches were made by the Italian Consul-General and by M. Gruenberg, who managed the factory as a Government arsenal.

A *Daily Mail* telegram from Johannesburg states that Mr. Begbie has been arrested and charged with murder. He is suspected of having blown up his works, which cost £80,000, in order to revenge himself for the affront of being compelled to manufacture munitions of war for the enemy.

The *Times* learns that the only charge against Mr. Begbie is that he photographed the firm's works on the previous Sunday.

As a sequel to the Johannesburg explosion, says Reuter, a Government proclamation was issued ordering all British subjects, with a few exceptions, to leave the Republic within forty-eight hours. Nearly £4000 has been subscribed for the relief of the victims of the explosion.

General Carrington's Column.

On April 19, according to a *Daily News* telegram, the first Australian contingent of General Carrington's force passed through Umtali, which is about 200 miles from Beira, on the way to Marandellas and Salisbury.

Poem by Mr. Kipling.

In the Bloemfontein *Friend* of April 2 appeared an hitherto unpublished poem by Mr. Kipling, of which the first verse is as follows—

Now this is the cup the White Men drink
When they go to right a wrong,
And that is the cup of the old world's hate—
Cruel and strained and strong.

We have drunk that cup—and a bitter, bitter cup—
And tossed the dregs away,
But well for the world when the White Men drink
To the dawn of the White Man's day.

The title of the poem, which was written some time ago, to be read at a dinner in Canada, is "A Song of the White Man."

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THE WORLD OF PASTIME.

ATHLETIC SPORTS AT SURBITON.

SATURDAY'S meeting at Surbiton, thanks to the efforts of old-timers and others of less experience but conceding nothing in the way of enthusiasm, was characteristically gay, enjoyable, and interesting even to the more serious of those athletically inclined. There were at their various posts Messrs. Horace Davenport, Sydney H. Baker, H. C. Schlotel, S. K. Holman, F. B. Windeler, Bulmer Howell, G. W. Ricketts, F. Buller, T. D. Hutton, and Felix. Company fit for a prince and certain to give confidence to all competitors that everything would be managed in a thorough manner. Then the ladies and the olive-branches. They formed a picture calculated to awaken slumbering emotions. The juvenile element enters very largely into this annual play at Surbiton, and the interest of matron and maid is a theme upon which one might dwell did space permit. Excellent entries had been received, and racing was very good indeed. The invitation quarter-mile handicap fell to J. B. Densham, Herne Hill H. (20 yards); L. Indermaur, L.A.C. (100 yards), won the two-mile invitation handicap, and in the inter-team steeplechase the Surbiton Hockey Club proved the winners, while the Light Blue, H. E. Graham, Kingston R.C., was first man home. In the club events, both the high and broad jumps were secured by N. S. A. Hazeson, and

THE GRAFTER, WINNER OF THE CITY AND SUBURBAN HANDICAP.

H. Williams gained half and quarter-mile handicaps. Among the spectators were some of those wounded in South Africa, and who are at the Princess of Wales's Convalescent Home at Surbiton.

Surrey Walking Club.

A sixteen-mile handicap was decided by this club on Saturday, the start being made from headquarters at South Croydon. Among the officials were several well known to all athletes, and the gathering was one enjoyable to all. J. Butler was at scratch, but he gave up after going about three-parts of the journey. E. Knott received 3 min. 30 sec. start, but found this not sufficient, despite fine walking. 17 min. 14 sec., the fastest time of the afternoon, but he had to rest content with seventh place. The limit man, W. E. Cox (30 min. start), remained in front the whole way, finishing nearly half a mile ahead of H. Starck, whose 16 sec. allowance was the lightest of those who occupied respectively the first six places.

Notts Forest Sports

attracted some 15,000 persons to the County Cricket Ground at Trent Bridge. Competitors arrived from all parts, and strangers carried off the bulk of the prizes. R. W. Wadsley, Unity, won the level 100 yards; H. Evans, Highgate H. (90 yards), the mile; E. F. Jones, L.A. and C.C. (25 yards), the quarter; J. W. Walker, Sheffield United (35 yards), the 1000 yards steeplechase, with Sid Robinson, Northampton (18 yards), second; W. F. Owsley, L.A.C. (20 yards), won the 300 yards hurdle handicap, with H. J. Bowden, Newton Abbot (25 yards), second, while in the 120 yards hurdle handicap Bowden (scratch) was first, and Owsley (6 yards) was second.

English Lacrosse Championship.

At the Crystal Palace on Saturday, the right to hold the "Iroquois" Cup and the title of champion was disputed by Stockport and Woodford. The latter's chance of taking the honour from Stockport was handicapped by the absence of more than one of their strongest players; but it is doubtful if their presence would have altered the result. Stockport showed great superiority in the matters of combination and passing; and though Woodford's goalkeeper played remarkably well, the holders scored seven times. Woodford obtained two goals only.

Southern Cycling Club.

A beautiful spring day made things very delightful at the well-situated Herne Hill track, and conditions were highly favourable to fast riding. Not only was speed shown, but the racing so far as the winners and seconds are concerned was exciting to a degree. The event was a six-hours' open race, and tandems carried off the honours. An accident to their machine put W. B. Dudden and W. C. Coates, of the Polytechnic, out of the race after they had practically shown the way for over sixty miles. Then H. C. Akers and F. W. Wells, Dover Road C.C., went on with the lead, and, with slight exception, from 62 miles to 135 inclusive, this pair improved amateur tandem records. F. Lockeyear and A. Tate, Southern C.C., then stepped by them, and they carried on the record-breaking to the end, covering 156 miles 760 yards in the six hours. The previous best record was 146 miles 160 yards by J. F. Rudham and C. Chapple in September 1895. This was easily beaten, also by Akers and Wells, who rode 155 miles 1000 yards. Mr. Pembroke Coleman took the times.

End of the Football Season.

Aston Villa finish at the head of the First Division of the League, and Sheffield Wednesday head the Second Division with an unbeaten record for home matches. At the top of the Southern League stand the Tottenham Hotspurs, who have thoroughly earned the right to the post of honour. It is curious that on Saturday defeat was the portion of Aston Villa at the hands of Portsmouth, and that the Cup winners (Bury) and runners-up (Southampton) were both beaten on that day also. Swinton, by their victory over Salford on Saturday in the presence of some 20,000 persons, have secured the Northern Union Cup, and Olympic once more hold the West End Senior Cup.

Lawn Tennis.

The Covered Courts Championships at the Queen's Club were concluded on Saturday. A. W. Gore won the Gentleman's Singles, and the brothers R. F. and H. L. Doherty retain the Doubles Championship, which they first won in 1896. On the previous day Miss T. Lowther won the Ladies' Singles, and R. F. Doherty and Miss C. Cooper the Ladies' and Gentlemen's Double Championship.

BANSHEE.

THE RACING WORLD.

THE GRAFTER'S VICTORY in the City and Suburban has raised a pretty hobbery. Quite a large number of people declare that somebody who at once ought to have known the circumstances, and ought to have known better than to deceive them so, told them not to back The Grafter. All these are very indignant. Then there was another numerous section with cognate grievance. These mourn having ever listened to the voice of such authority as it may have been, and were induced to back Syeria. According to stories told, the stable was divided against itself, and what explanation has been vouchsafed regarding the affair does not make the owner's position a very fortunate one.

Perhaps the Century Stakes

turning out such a poor affair enabled The Grafter squabble to live longer. In the ordinary way very great interest attaches to a stake of £10,000, nominal value, but this one came and went, was competed for by a small field of inferior horses, and won by one, of whom the highest praise to be truthfully said is that, though second class, he is a stayer.

Osbech and Manners

had the race between them a long way from home Manners, who apparently could have won with ease, retired from business when some two hundred yards were left to be covered. His intention was to retire by taking Cannon over the rails, a proceeding prevented with no little difficulty. He would not try a yard, and left Osbech to win.

It seemed as if there would not be any betting on the Guineas prior to this week, and, just as last was closing, there came quite a spurt.

The Elopement Trial,

in which he beat Simon Dale, caused general desire to get on Mr. Low's horse; then the news that Diamond Jubilee would be ridden by Herbert Jones in place of Morny Cannon, whom the horse violently dislikes, somehow turned sportsmen's thoughts to the contest, as did unsatisfactory reports about Democrat. All these in a way helped, but not so much as the movement which followed

Sailor Lad's Defeat of Flambard

in a trial, witnessed by Lord Rosebery himself.

That this spin made the Lad out to be very smart indeed, there can be no doubt, for orders were sent out all over the country to back him both for

The Two Thousand and the Derby.

His reported improvement made many look forward to the Two Thousand Guineas quite hopefully, after having put it down as likely to be of little account. It required considerable pluck to look forward to racing at Newmarket, but

The Two Thousand

was run on Wednesday in the most perfect May weather, and there was much rejoicing over the good luck of the Prince of Wales, the actual result being as follows—

THE TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS STAKES of 100 sovs., half forfeit, for three-year-olds; colts, 9 st.; and fillies, 8 st. 9 lb.; the owner of the second horse to receive 300 sovs. out of the stakes, and the third to save his stake.

1. Diamond Jubilee, by St. Simon—Perdita II. H. Jones.
2. Bonarosa, by Bona Vista—Rose Madder ... L. Reiff.
3. Sidus, by St. Simon—Star of Fortune ... T. Loates.

For the Derby

Forfarshire went strong, but 9 to 2 about

Diamond Jubilee

seemed somewhat short odds for a horse of doubtful character in temper. Sailor Lad found friends to take 8 to 1 with confidence, but Democrat, although good judges opined that he must improve with more work, was not in much demand. Chevening's price, 100 to 8, must surely leave little prospect of profit by way of hedging. But should

Summer Gale

carry off the Kempton Park Jubilee Handicap, or, for that matter, Joubert do so, then Disguise's quotation would surely be materially cut down.

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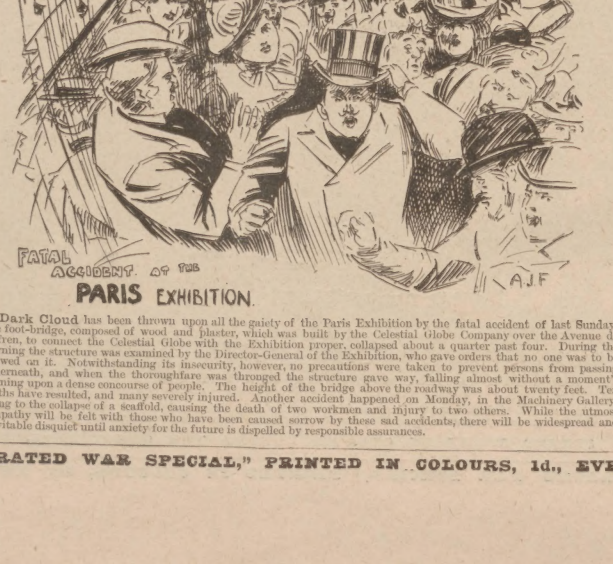

A Dark Cloud has been thrown upon all the gaiety of the Paris Exhibition by the fatal accident of last Sunday. The foot-bridge, composed of wood and plaster, which was built by the Celestial Globe Company over the Avenue de Suffren, to connect the Celestial Globe with the Exhibition proper, collapsed about a quarter past four. During the morning the structure was examined by the Director-General of the Exhibition, who gave orders that no one was to be allowed on it. Notwithstanding its insecurity, however, no precautions were taken to prevent persons from passing underneath, and when the thoroughfare was thronged the structure gave way, falling almost without a moment's warning upon a dense concourse of people. The height of the bridge above the roadway was about twenty feet. Ten deaths have resulted, and many severely injured. Another accident happened on Monday, in the Machinery Gallery, owing to the collapse of a scaffold, causing the death of two workmen and injury to two others. While the utmost sympathy will be felt with those who have been caused sorrow by these sad accidents, there will be widespread and inevitable disquiet until anxiety for the future is dispelled by responsible assurances.

THE SURREY WALKING CLUB'S RACE

LAST SATURDAY.

COX. THE LIMIT MAN IS THE FIRST TO ARRIVE AT MERSTHAM
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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

S. C.—Sue the executor or administrator of the deceased in the County Court.

WATSON.—You can only be called upon to pay the amount of rent under your agreement.

X. Y. Z.—Your letter does give sufficient particulars. The son takes the property if there are no other children.

G. W.—Instruct a solicitor to demand its return. This may have the desired effect.

ROSE.—The purchaser would have to give you a legal notice to quit. You could apply for compensation.

ANXIOUS.—You should instruct a solicitor to apply for payment.

ARMSTRONG.—Not knowing enough of the facts, it is impossible to advise you fully.

T. H. P.—You must pay; but you should claim a proportion of the rate from your vendor.

W. SMITH.—You could sue for payment and would succeed if you could prove the loan. We know of no book upon the matter.

GARDENER.—Failing prompt delivery after another application, instruct a solicitor to write, applying for the goods and compensation.

OTHER REPLIES in next week's *P.I.P.*

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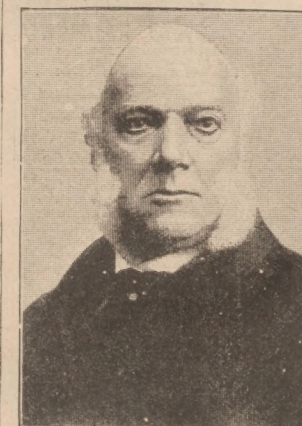
Sir John Bridge, who was for nine years Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, died at his town residence, 50, Inverness Terrace, on April 26, at the age of seventy-six. He was called to the Bar at the Inner Temple in



THE LATE SIR JOHN BRIDGE.

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1850. In 1872 he was appointed a Metropolitan magistrate at Southwark, where he remained till 1886, when he was removed to Bow Street as junior, in succession to Mr. Flower. He succeeded Sir James Ingham in March 1890 as Chief Magistrate, and the honour of knighthood was conferred upon him. Sir John had had before him some of the most interesting criminal cases of modern times, including the Balfour affair, the Jameson Raiders, the great pearl case, and many extraordinary charges, such as those of Herz and Arton.

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HOW THE WORLD WAGS.

HER MAJESTY'S visit to Ireland was brought to a close on April 26. Before her departure the Queen made extensive purchases of Irish lace and other work. Her Majesty's last words to the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Dublin were: "I am very sorry to leave Ireland. I have had an extremely pleasant time." The Lord Mayor replied: "I am delighted to hear your Majesty has had such a pleasant time, and I hope you will come again."

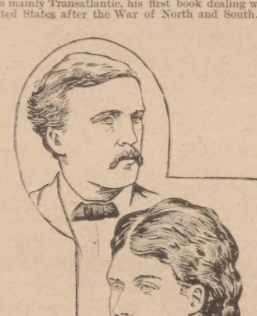
The Prince of Wales last Saturday unveiled, in the Great Hall of the Natural History Section of the British Museum, South Kensington, the statue of the late Professor Huxley, which forms part of the memorial to the famous scientist and teacher. His Royal Highness, who had come to the museum unattended, was escorted to his carriage, at the close of the proceedings, by the director and the trustees of the museum.

The Prince of Wales, on the completion of twenty-five years of service as Grand Master of English Freemasons, has conferred past grand rank upon twenty-five brethren at the annual meeting of Grand Lodge, among them being Major-General Sir H. M. L. Rundle, Major-General Sir F. R. Wingate, and the Lord Mayor of London.

The Duke and Duchess of York have had York House connected by electrophone with the leading London theatres and concert halls, in order that their Royal Highnesses may listen to the entertainments, including the opera performances at the Covent Garden Theatre.

The Queen and the Vigilant Correctors of the Press.—Mr. J. S. Wood, editor of the *Gentleman*, who presided last Saturday night at the annual dinner, in the Hôtel Cecil, of the London Association of Correctors of the Press, made the pleasant announcement that the Queen had graciously sent a donation of £10 to the Pension Fund of the Association. This is the second occasion on which Her Majesty has recognised the claims of the Printers' Readers' Society, and generously contributed to its funds. The guests who graced the dinner with their presence and spoke to the various toasts included Dr. Richard Garnett, Alderman J. C. Bell, Mr. Guy Pym, M.P., Mr. F. C. Gould, Mr. W. H. Wilkins, Mr. A. D. Vandam, and representatives of several leading publishing and printing establishments.

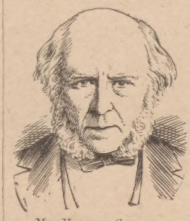
Duke and Duchess of Argyll.—The new Duke of Argyll is best known to the people of Great Britain because he wedded Princess Louise, Her Majesty's fourth daughter. He is also popular for his own personal merits. As an author he has done excellent work. His theme has been mainly Transatlantic, his first book dealing with the United States after the War of North and South. Most



THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF ARGYLL.

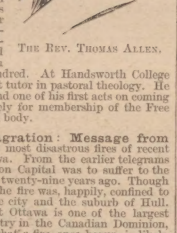
important perhaps was, in its day, his "Imperial Federation," which he published fifteen years ago. He also wrote a Life of Palmerston. The number of titles to which Duke succeeds are indeed bewildering. In the "Gilded Chamber" he will sit as Baron Sundridge. But his full style and title will be Duke, Marquis, and Earl of Argyll, Marquis of Lorne and Kintyre, Earl of Campbell and Cowal, Viscount Lochow and Glenisla, Lord Campbell, Lord Lorne, Lord of Inveraray, Mull, Morvern, and Tiry in Scotland, Baron Sundridge of Coombe Bank, County Kent, Lord Hamilton in Great Britain, Lord Lieutenant and Hereditary Sheriff of Argyll, Hereditary Master of Her Majesty's Household in Scotland, Keeper of the Great Seal of Scotland, and Keeper of Dunoon Castle and of Dunstaffnage and Carrick. The late Duke was also entitled to add to his name K.G., K.T., D.C.L., LL.D., and F.R.S. These wide-reaching titles carry with them estates extending to about 175,000 acres in the counties of Argyll and Dumbarton. A quarter-century since these estates were worth quite £50,000 a year. Now they should be worth rather more, as they are largely sporting estates, whose value has during the past twenty-five years steadily, if not rapidly, increased.

Herbert Spencer, who has just celebrated the eightieth anniversary of his birthday, may safely be said to be the most distinguished survivor of the group of thoughtful men who founded a philosophy which has exercised the minds of great thinkers all the world over. Sir Joseph Hooker, who is in his eighty-second year, was one of this little coterie of people whose ideas, more or less scouted at the time they were first promulgated, have since been adopted by many of those who, not so long ago, were reckoned as strenuous opponents. Darwin and Huxley have passed away, but they have left footprints on the sands of time, and, doubtless, in years to come, when thoughtful men desire to read of the philosophical tenets of the nineteenth century, they will turn to Herbert Spencer as the writer whose works convey in clear and graphic phraseology the teachings of the school of which he was so bright an ornament. Mr. Herbert Spencer was born in Derby, his father being a schoolmaster in that town, and withal a man of scientific tastes, from whom the son inherited the tendencies which secured to him in after life so high a position in the world of philosophical research.



MR. HERBERT SPENCER,
Who has just Celebrated his Eightieth Birthday.

President of the Wesleyan Conference.—It is understood that the Rev. Thomas Allen will be the next President of the Wesleyan Conference. He was born at Whitchurch, in Shropshire, sixty-three years ago. The first twenty years of his life were spent on his father's farm. Services were conducted in the farm kitchen, and as a result when Thomas was thirteen years old he joined the Wesleyan Church. At eighteen he became a fully accredited local preacher, commencing his work at the kitchen services, and two years later was accepted as a candidate for the ministry, entering the college at Didsbury. After a stay of two years he commenced regular circuit work. The Conference of 1897 appointed him governor of Handsworth College and chairman of the Birmingham and Shrewsbury district. There is hardly a committee upon which the Rev. Thomas Allen has not served. For six years he was assistant-secretary to the Metropolitan Building Fund, and in 1887 was elected a member of the Legal Hundred. At Handsworth College he is not only governor, but tutor in pastoral theology. He is a man of broad views, and one of his first acts on coming to Birmingham was to apply for membership of the Free Church Council, a powerful body.



THE REV. THOMAS ALLEN.

The Ottawa Conflagration: Message from the Queen.—One of the most disastrous fires of recent years has occurred at Ottawa. From the earlier telegrams it seems as if the Dominion Capital was to suffer to the same extent as Chicago did twenty-nine years ago. Though the devastation was vast, the fire was, happily, confined to the western portion of the city and the suburb of Hull. When one remembers that Ottawa is one of the largest centres of the lumber industry in the Canadian Dominion, it is easy to understand that a fire, once begun, is likely to go far. All the lumber products of a huge stretch of country extending as far as Lake Nipissing to the north-west are carried down to Ottawa by means of the Ottawa River to the point at which the river forms the noble Chaudière Falls—these falls supplying the motive power for the numerous lumber-mills, flour-mills, factories, etc., along the banks of the river. To the north-east the Gatineau River joins the Ottawa, and affords further lumbering facilities, the cut of timber in the Ottawa valley in 1899 being estimated at 720,000,000 ft. In the winter thousands of men are engaged in cutting the timber and drawing it to the streams—it is from this industry, by the way, that we get the term "log-rolling"—while in the spring the freshets carry down to the mills the rafts on which the men who cut it live and work during the passage. Who then can be surprised that it is no little task to extinguish a fire in a locality like this? According to a telegram from the Earl of Minto, five lives have been lost and many injured. The estimated loss is 8,000,000 dollars. About 15,000 persons are rendered homeless and 1000 thrown out of employment, consequent on the destruction of all the big mills.

Rescue by Lord Minto.—Among many signal acts of bravery in the rescue of life was that performed by the Governor-General, Lord Minto. One of the firemen near

THE EARL OF MINTO,
WHO BRAVELY RESCUED ONE OF THE FIREMEN.

the City waterworks stayed at his post till all chance of escape had been cut off, except by swimming the stream, which at this point is fifty yards wide. Lord Minto shouted to him to jump in, which he did, and swam to the east bank, where the Governor-General, clambering down the crib work, grasped the fireman's hand and pulled him out.

Her Majesty's Message.—The Earl of Minto has received the following message from Mr. Chamberlain—"Her Majesty has heard with deep regret of the great fire in Ottawa, and has commanded me to desire you to convey to the immediate sufferers and to her people of Canada the expression of her heartfelt sympathy in the calamity which has befallen them. She trusts that there has been no loss of life, and will be glad to have any further particulars you can furnish."

England's Sympathy.—The quickness with which people in England showed their practical sympathy with the sufferers in the Hull fire has evoked a warm response in the newspapers at Montreal. It is remarked that hardly had the Canadians realised the terrible nature of the calamity ere cables commenced to flow in from London offering funds. The Stock Exchange asked the Bank of Montreal for particulars and offered to open a subscription. Individual London firms have already sent several thousand pounds through their Montreal connections. Train-loads of emergency supplies are being hurried to the scene of the disaster.

A Mansion House Fund has been opened for the sufferers by the Ottawa fire. This step was taken at the instance of Mr. Chamberlain, who will have the entire nation with him when he declares that at a time when Canada is making in South Africa such sacrifices for the common interests of the Empire, an appeal to the generosity of the British public will meet with a ready response.

The Irish Guards.—Orders were issued on April 26 for the formation of the 1st Battalion of the new regiment of Irish Guards at St. John's Wood Barracks forthwith. The establishment in the first instance will be two companies, and Colonel Hornce Ricardo, Commanding Officer of the Grenadiers, will temporarily act as Colonel of the new regiment. Major R. J. Cooper, of the Grenadiers, and Lieutenant Lord Oxmantown, of the Coldstreams, are to come home to join the Irish Guards. The establishment of the nucleus of the 1st Battalion has been fixed at 230 of all ranks. The regiment is to be ultimately incorporated with the Guards Brigade, and the depôt will be at Caterham with the other Guards regiments.

Chief Justice of Cape Colony.—For over a quarter of a century has the Right Hon. Sir J. H. de Villiers, K.C.M.G., acted as Chief Justice of Cape Colony, having been appointed when only thirty-two years old. He is shortly to visit the Mother Country. In 1895 he was called to the Bar at the Inner Temple, his preliminary studies having been carried on at the South African College, at the Universities of Utrecht and Berlin, and in London. During his stay he will take part in the proceedings of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, of which he was made a member as the representative of British South Africa, just as Sir Henry Strong was given a seat there representing Canada, and Sir Samuel Way, who sat for several months in 1897 as representing the Australasian Colonies. The post of Chief Justice and President of the Legislative Council of Cape Colony is worth £2000 a year. It would be difficult to find a man that could fill the place so ably and conscientiously held for many years by the right hon. gentleman about to visit England.

THE RIGHT HON. SIR J. H. DE VILLIERS, K.C.M.G.

Rear-Admiral Sir Gerald H. A. Noel has been selected to succeed Vice-Admiral Sir C. Domvile as Admiral Superintendent of Naval Reserves.

"An American Beauty" has been greatly improved since the first night. It is now divided into three acts, as originally intended, the second act ending with the Circus scene, the third taking place at Monte Carlo. Some new music is also introduced, one of the principal items being a pretty ballad by Mr. Kerker, called "The Good Old Days," which Miss Edna May sings so charmingly in the second act that it proves the most attractive feature of the piece. A certain want of coherence in the play has been remedied, and now there is nothing to hinder a prosperous run for "An American Beauty," though not such a long one as the melodious and merry "Belle of New York" enjoyed at the Shaftesbury. We welcome sweet Edna May, more adorable and seductive than ever, in finer voice, and in better health—with just a suggestion of a wee double chin. We miss Sullivan (the inimitable, polite madman—kept, maybe, for another fresh comic piece at the Prince of Wales's) and the whistling coon, Phyllis Rankin and the long-faced comedian. But we have an admirable actor in Mr. Carle, a dulcet caroller in the dainty page who sings "Mollie" so well, frolicsome Miss Snyder-how-you-vas, and a galaxy of the most magnificent chorus-women from New York, superbly attired and wonderfully light of leg. Not so many of Kerker's "American Beauty" tunes linger in the memory as was the case with the "Belle of New York"; but the vivacity of the new comic opera will draw plenty of money to the Shaftesbury.

"You Never Can Tell," by Mr. Bernard Shaw, has this week been produced at a Strand matinée. It was once in rehearsal at the Haymarket, but was withdrawn. A jocular anecdote is still told in theatrical circles that Miss Winifred Emery and other performers who were to have taken part in "You Never Can Tell" seriously requested the author to explain the meaning of the play or to make it clear if it had any meaning. Mr. Bernard Shaw being fond of mystifying actors as well as audiences. It is called one of the author's "pleasant plays," and there are some extremely queer characters in it. One is an eccentric dentist, another is a waiter who happens distantly to resemble the bust of Shakspere in the church at Stratford-on-Avon, and is called after the great poet in consequence. Mr. Bernard Shaw will shortly publish "three plays for Puritans," one of them being "The Devil's Disciples," which was recently performed at Kennington. It was suggested by the late William Terriss, and is full of familiar Adelphi sensational effects.

Madame Duse will appear at the Lyceum Theatre on May 10. In the list of her plays will be an Italian version of "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray," "Antony and Cleopatra," and "Gioconda," by her gifted countryman, d'Annunzio.

Miss Kate Vaughan, so long one of the chief Gaiety favourites, is, we regret to say, out of health, and is taking a voyage to Australia by medical advice. We trust the gifted lady will be thoroughly restored by her trip.

"The Degenerates," after having had a great society success in London, is meeting with considerable antagonism in America. Mrs. Langtry frankly confesses that she cannot understand the objections made to the play in the States.

"Lady Huntworth's Experiment," by Mr. Carton, is catching on well at the Criterion. The notion of a wife whose matrimonial experiences have been unfortunate recovering her position in society by her talent in cookery, is sufficiently novel as a dramatic theme, and Mr. Carton treats it in quite a comedy spirit, frequently introducing very smart dialogue and happy studies of character. The play will probably enjoy considerable popularity, admirably acted as it is by Miss Compton, Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Eric Lewis, Mr. Dion Boucicault, Mr. Hendrie, Miss Gertrude Elliott, Miss Polly Emery, and Miss Fanny Coleman.

"Nell Gwynne" will be seen as a comedy ere long with Miss Julia Neilson as the heroine. The fair but frail Nell Gwynne was the central figure of a play by Douglas Jerrold, and most musical amateurs will remember the charming opera on this subject by Planquette.

"Quo Vadis," the American version of which is promised at the Adelphi on Saturday, will not interfere with Mr. Wilson Barrett's adaptation, as the American authors have merely taken the leading idea of the story, the remainder of the play being original in plot, incident, and character. Mr. Wilson Barrett, on the contrary, has closely followed the Polish author's novel. The Adelphi version brings the old Rome of Nero across the footlights in grand style, as may be judged from the vivid pictures of the elaborate scenes in this week's number of the *Sketch*, which paper is constantly increasing in popularity. The Adelphi "Quo Vadis" is strongly cast by Mr. Robert Taber, who is supported by Messrs. J. H. Barnes, G. W. Anson, Robert Pateman, Edward Sass, Edmund Gurney, A. G. Poulton; Misses Wallace, E. Brinsley Sheridan, Daisy Atherton, Valli Valli, and Lena Ashwell.

Mr. Martin Harvey, at the Prince of Wales's, intends shortly to present a "triple bill," one of the items being that amusing little piece "A Patomime Rehearsal," in which Mr. Weedon Grossmith and Mr. Brandon Thomas will again play their original parts.

Mr. Albert Chevalier, whose studies of "Coster" life and character have been so popular, has introduced several new sketches in his entertainments at St. George's Hall. They are extremely funny and original.

Madame Patti's next concert will take place at the Albert Hall on May 31. The Diva will sing several times, and a number of popular vocalists and instrumentalists are announced to take part in the concert.

Miss Jannette Steer, who recently played Hamlet with great success, has taken the Comedy Theatre in order to produce there a new play by Mr. Charles Brookfield, called "Kenyon's Widow."

Revival of "In the Ranks."—Mr. Robert Arthur announces the revival, at the Princess's Theatre, Oxford Street, of the famous drama, "In the Ranks," by George R. Sims and Henry Pettitt. Mr. Charles Warner and Miss Grace Warner have been especially engaged for the principal parts.

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FOR some time past the inhabitants of Rose Villas had been watching a most interesting and undisguised affair of the heart. The objects of their kind attention were Mr. Gibson, of Number One, and his fair and charming neighbour, Mrs. Smith, of Number Two.

Enjoying, as he did, a senior position in a City Bank, Mr. Gibson had not escaped the assiduous attentions of match-making mammas, but the most astute and tactful parents had in time relinquished all hopes of claiming him as a son-in-law; for he had never responded to their overtures other than by the most constrained acknowledgments of their courtesies.

But he had at last succumbed to the wiles of Cupid. Many watchful eyes had noted the course of his infatuation. At first his little amenities over the garden wall with the fair Mrs. Smith had caused only mild comment; but, as time went on, it was discovered that the intimacy which a mutual taste for gardening had inspired in those next-door neighbours had begun to go beyond the bounds of a merely horticultural interest.

And Mrs. Smith herself? Well, she was practically a newcomer, having taken up residence in Number Two only a year or so before things had developed thus far. At first the neighbours held somewhat aloof from her, principally because the most strenuous inquiries could elicit no information about her. But it was not long before she conquered all prejudice, and Mrs. Smith, the pretty and gentle widow of Number Two, Rose Villas, became a universal favourite.

Mr. Gibson, from having been a reserved and taciturn man, became a most devoted and open admirer of the fair widow, and it was not long before he let his neighbour know very plainly the drift of his intentions. And so, soon, although no word of actual love had been exchanged between them, the pair were on the most affectionate terms. Sometimes, though, when he would approach dangerously close to the subject nearest his heart, she would suddenly appear to get embarrassed and distressed, and then he, being a considerate wooer, would turn the subject to something else—geraniums, for instance. Thus matters progressed for some time, but evidently towards one inevitable end.

One Saturday afternoon Mr. Gibson, dressed in faultless style, paid a visit to his fair neighbour, with the request that she would accompany him to a local bazaar. At first she made some demur, but her consent to go was at last gained chiefly through the inducement of seeing the "animated photographs" to be exhibited there; and for the purpose of seeing which Mr. Gibson, knowing through a former chance remark her curiosity about them, had invited her.

The room was thronged by a brilliant assembly, and the pair saluted one or two neighbours who smiled on them benignly as if their being there together was the most natural thing in the world—which it was.

His generosity towards her would have been princely, had she permitted it, but she would not; and a couple of trifling purchases, chosen by her, were all she would allow him to make on her behalf.

When she asked to see the living pictures, he inquired his way to a side room whose entrance bore over it, in big lettering, the words, "Professor Slick, and his wonderful cinematograph. Entrance One Shilling."

The exhibition was indeed truly marvellous. The pictures, as thrown on the screen, were veritably taken from the life, with all its action and expression, and with only sound lacking.

The first picture, introduced with a jest by the professor, was that of a pair of lovers—taken, doubtless, unawares—as they were saying unutterable things and gazing into one another's eyes. Mr. Gibson had the temerity gently to press his fair companion's arm. Then followed other pictures of movement—farmers at work in a field, a regiment of soldiers marching by, quarrymen at a blasting operation, with the explosion of the charge, and a train entering a railway-station. Then came scenes in American cities and towns; and of these pictures the professor seemed to be specially proud, for he took the opportunity to dilate on his great native country. The pictures were certainly interesting, giving as they did the bustle and life of thronged streets, and showing plainly the faces of the passers-by as they came towards the spectator.

Then the Professor, telling his audience that he would take them out West, showed a picture of a Californian gold-diggers' camp. The picture was a particularly good one, and the busy miners seemed to live before the audience. Two of the miners walked into the foreground of the pictures towards the audience, and it was hard to believe, so plainly was the expression of their faces reproduced, that they were not actually in the flesh.

Suddenly there was the sound of a gasping sigh beside him, and Mr. Gibson, turning round in surprise, caught hold of Mrs. Smith as she suddenly leant against him. She had fainted. In alarm, he, assisted by some of those who had been seated near, quickly and quietly got the lady out of the room. Then some ladies brought Mrs. Smith to the stall-holders' private room, where in a very short time she recovered consciousness.

Soon reappearing, in company with a lady who was a neighbour of hers in Rose Villas, Mrs. Smith, smiling, but looking white and ill, asked to be taken away at once. Accordingly a cab was called, and Mr. Gibson and the two ladies drove rapidly home.

Mrs. Smith was not well enough to make her appearance the following day, Sunday. And on Monday Mr. Gibson started for his bank in a somewhat nervous state of mind about her, wondering inwardly if he should induce her to consult a doctor.

On returning from the city in the evening he found a letter from Mrs. Smith awaiting him. Tearing it open, he read the contents two or three times over in a state of the most perturbed astonishment.

The letter was short, and was to the effect that Mrs. Smith had found it necessary to go away suddenly on a matter of urgent business. She regretted, she added, that the circumstances of her mission made it impossible for her to make known her address while away to even such a kind friend as Mr. Gibson, but she expected that in the course of a couple of months or so she would be able to let him hear from her.

The next day the surprise of the neighbours was very great when they noticed that No. 2 was shut up; and soon it was known by all that Mrs. Smith, with her servant, had mysteriously vacated the house, leaving no word of explanation.

Mr. Gibson brooded over it for a couple of weeks, wondering inwardly what it meant. After that he recovered himself, and was the same Mr. Gibson that Rose Villas had known so many years in the past. But the little touches of youth which had begun to brighten him up when the charms of Mrs. Smith had conquered him, had gone, and he once again became the serious and sedate City man, going to his bank in the morning and returning in the evening at rigidly fixed hours, and holding aloof from his neighbours.

One day, about three months after her disappearance, Mr. Gibson received a note from Mrs. Smith asking him to call at the office of a firm of City solicitors on a certain day.

Good master of his emotions as he was, it was with feelings of a mixed and perturbed nature that he called at the office named punctually at the specified hour.

A gentleman, evidently a solicitor, on hearing his name, shook him by the hand, and, conducting him through the office to a private room, opened the door, and, ushering him in, retired again. And then, before he could well look around him, he found his hand clasped by Mrs. Smith, and the pretty widow, looking radiant and happy, standing there before him.

He was confusedly murmuring commonplace greetings, when his glance fell on another occupant of the room—a tall, dark man, who stood watching them both.

"Tom," said Mrs. Smith, "I must first of all introduce you to Mr. Gibson. Mr. Gibson—my husband."

"Your husband!" gasped Mr. Gibson, as he involuntarily sank into a chair in his astonishment.

"Yes," said Mrs. Smith, laughing a little nervously, "my husband, back from the grave. And now, Mr. Gibson," she continued, "I have brought you here to tell you a wonderful story. When I first came to Rose Villas I was, as I believed, an unhappy widow. Years before I had married Mr. Smith—Tom here—when we were both very young and foolish, and had not learnt the necessity of mutual patience and forbearance. My young husband had an arbitrary temper. Yes, Tom, indeed, you had! And I possessed a spirit of pride and rebellion, which made me a very unpleasant person. We were not happy together, and one day we quarrelled so bitterly that we separated—and it was to be for ever. My husband went off, and I settled down on my little personal income.

"Then time passed, and a year ago I read by chance in a newspaper how one Thomas Smith, formerly of the place from which my husband came, was accidentally killed in the streets of New York. Inquiries seemed to confirm my worst fears. Then, Mr. Gibson, your kind friendship came into my life, and I found it very pleasant. Three months ago you took me to see some living pictures at a bazaar, and I fainted, because, in the picture of the miners' camp, I saw my husband!"

Mrs. Smith paused a moment, and then continued—

"I at once saw the cinematograph exhibitor, and got from him the exact location of the Californian camp. I made up my mind to go to California forthwith, but, as I did not know how my quest would turn out, or whether I had been the victim of a chance resemblance, I had to keep my mission a secret. But I found my husband."

"I wish you both all happiness," murmured Mr. Gibson, and he said it sincerely.

"I think your wish will come true," said Mrs. Smith, smiling gently, "for Tom and I have learnt patience. Haven't we, dear?"

"Yes, Mary, my darling," said her husband, speaking for the first time.

And they all shook hands together.

Shortly after, Numbers One and Two Rose Villas were both vacant, and in another neighbourhood, away from all idle gossips, Mr. and Mrs. Smith had as their next-door neighbour their most cherished friend, Mr. Gibson.

THE END.

Lord Charles Beresford, the *Navy League Journal* says, has painted his flag-ship, the *Renuilies*, a dull-grey colour. England has hitherto been behind every great Continental navy in the rational painting of her war-ships. Their normal dress of black, white, and service buff makes them superb targets upon which to lay guns. France years ago adopted a muddy-grey, and Germany followed suit with a brown-grey, which is most difficult to pick out in any but the clearest weather. Of course, our ships would all have to be repainted on the eve of war.

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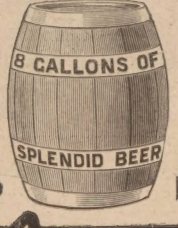

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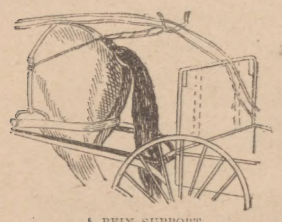
The "P.I.P." Farmer.

BY A FRESH HAND.

A Rein-Support.

AMONG the contrivances recently brought under my notice is a rein support and guard for horse harness, patented by an American gentleman. Its chief use is that of supporting the reins of a horse at such a height that they cannot become entangled with the harness or with the tail of the horse. The device comprises essentially a spring-wire frame, provided with guide-fingers at its rear end for the reins, and with divergent arms at its forward end for attachment to the crupper and hip-straps. Fastening pins, carried by the frame at each side, are designed to engage sockets in the back-strap or crupper. The rein-guard can be removed and



A REIN-SUPPORT.

replaced in a few seconds. The rear end of the wire frame projects just over the tail of the horse, and supports the reins in such a position that they cannot sink. Carelessly as the driver may hold the reins, they will always be supported in proper position by the guard, without any possibility of their becoming entangled with the tail of the horse. The guard weighs but eight ounces. Similar contrivances have been used in many English stables, but the one of which an Illustration is given is so simple and yet so effective that it might be introduced with advantage into this country. I quite expect to see it being pushed at this season's shows.

Telescopic Trestles.

For gardening purposes these are unique, as, when closed, they are easily carried about, and raised or lowered under and up through trees for fruit-picking and pruning purposes. They can also be detached for use as separate ladders, for, by taking out the top coupling-bolt, the two sides detach for use as distinct extension ladders. Automatic locks catch over any of the rungs, and auxiliary locks are also provided to make doubly secure; while, by tying the ropes, the safety of the most nervous person is trebly assured. The raising and lowering is effected by pulley-ropes, and both ropes should be gripped by the same hands, so that the two sides may rise or descend equally. For the household they are well adapted to use on staircases, where one section can be adjusted shorter than the other, to suit the different levels of the staircase.

TELESCOPIC LADDER.

On Pyramidal Pear-Trees.

A Sussex correspondent sets me the task of explaining the method of summer pinching of pyramidal pears, once described as the most interesting feature in their culture, and perhaps the most agreeable of all horticultural occupations. Personally, I have never had this to do, although this year I have one or two very promising young pear-trees, espaliers in particular being very forward. I will, however, explain the process as it was once explained to me by the author of that capital handbook "The Miniature Fruit Garden," Mr. T. Rivers. The first season after the pearing, about the middle or end of June, the side buds and branches will put forth young shoots; each will give from one to three or four. Select that which is most horizontal in its growth (it should be on the lower part of the branch, as the tree will then be more inclined to spread) for a leader to that branch, and pinch off all the others to three leaves. If these pinched shoots again push, suffer them to make four leaves, and then pinch them to one leaf; but if the horizontal branch has a good leader, it will take off all the superfluous sap, and prevent the pinched spurs from breaking. Their buds will only swell, and the following season they will be fruit spurs. In spring the perpendicular leader of the preceding year's growth will put forth numerous shoots, which must be pinched in June in the following manner: Those nearest the base leave 6 in. in length, gradually decreasing upwards, leaving those next the young leading shoot only 2 in. long. The leader of these ready-formed pyramids need not be shortened in summer, as directed for younger trees; it may be allowed to grow till the horizontal leaders are shortened in August, and then left 6 in. or 8 in. in length; but if the trees are to be kept to 6 ft. or 7 ft. in height, under root-pruning, this leading shoot may be shortened to 2 in., or even cut close down to its base.

A PYRAMIDAL PEAR-TREE.

The Buttercup Oxalis.

My correspondent "W. L. L." will be able to get the buttercup oxalis, illustrated in this column a few weeks ago, of Carter and Sons, High Holborn, London, or Daniels Brothers, Norwich.

A Milk-Float.

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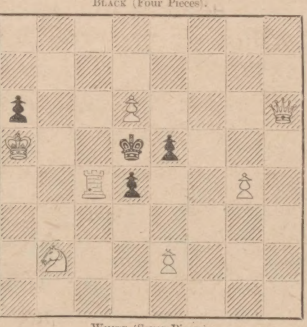
SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 319.

1. R to Q B 1st	P takes Kt	2. R to Q B 5th	Mate
1. ,,	Kt takes B	2. K to Kt 2nd	,,
1. ,,	Kt to R 5th	2. B to Q 5th	,,

PROBLEM No. 320.—By O. NEMO.

BLACK (Four Pieces).



WHITE (Seven Pieces).

White to play, and mate in two moves.

One of the most interesting games played in the Cable Match between the English and American Universities.

WHITE (Mr. Sotflaw (Cambridge)).	BLACK (Mr. Hunt (Princeton)).	WHITE (Mr. Sotflaw (Cambridge)).	BLACK (Mr. Hunt (Princeton)).
1. P to K 4th	P to K 3rd	20. R to K 2nd	P to R 3rd
2. P to Q 4th	P to Q 4th	21. Kt to Q R 4th	B to R 2nd
3. Kt to Q B 3rd	Kt to K B 3rd	An obvious oversight. R to B 2nd would still have saved Black from immediate harm.	
4. P to K 5th	K Kt to Q 2nd		
5. P to B 4th	P to Q B 4th		
6. P takes P	Kt to Q B 3rd	22. B to Kt 4th	Q to Q B 2nd
7. P to Q R 3rd	B takes P	23. B takes R	K takes B
8. Q to Kt 4th	Castles	24. B takes Kt	P takes B
9. Kt to B 3rd	R to B 4th	25. Q to Kt 3rd	Q takes P (ch)
10. Q to R 3rd	R to K 1st	26. Kt to Q 2nd	Q to B 2nd
11. B to Q 3rd	Kt to B 1st	27. R to Q B 1st	
12. B to Q 2nd	P to Q R 3rd		
13. P to K R 4th	Kt to K 2nd	White throughout the game shows a keen attacking instinct. After this move he wins the game at his leisure. If Black should take the Rook, White forces a mate in five moves, beginning with Q takes P (ch), etc.	
14. Q to Kt 3rd	Kt (B) to Kt 3		

The Knight should have remained on B 1st. A move like P to Q Kt 4th and R to R 2nd would have assisted Black's defence.

15. P to K R 4th	R to B 1st	27.	Q to K 2nd
Indifferent play again. P takes P was preferable, to be followed then by Kt to B 4th, and, if possible, the other Kt to K 2nd.		28. P to Kt 4th	B to Q 2nd
		29. Kt to B 5th	B to Kt 4 (ch)
		30. R to K 3rd	B takes Kt
		31. R takes B	R to K 1st
		32. R to K R 2nd	R to Q 1st
16. P to R 5th	Kt to R 1st	33. Kt to B 3rd	Kt to B 2nd
17. R to R 2nd	P takes P	34. Kt to Q 4th	Kt to Q 3rd
18. Q takes P	Kt to B 4th	35. R takes P	B to B 2nd
19. R to Kt 2nd	Q to K 2nd	36. R takes Kt	R takes R
R to B 2nd was preferable.		37. Kt takes P	Q to B 2nd
		38. Q takes P (ch)	Resigns.

DRAUGHTS.

CAPTAIN CHALLICK, Q.W.R., and J. E. Jones point out two key-moves in No. 278 by 14–10 and 28–24.

JOHN MORRIN, A. ROACH, AND J. W. WATKINS.—Problems sound. Will appear in due course.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 281.—By "FOOSHANG."

Black: 3K, 15, 21K, 23, 24K, 26.
White: 10K, 12K, 16, 19K, 22, 28, 31.

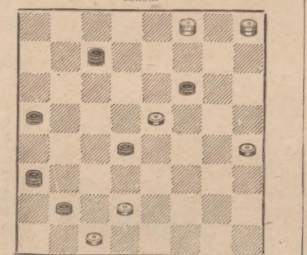
Black to move, and win.

15–18	26–25	21–7	3–7	2–11
22–15	19–26	28–24	12–16	
24–30	25–22	7–11	7–2	B. wins.
31–22	26–17	24–20	16–7	

PROBLEM No. 282.

By THOMAS PILCHER (Llandudno).

BLACK.



WHITE.

Black to move, and win.

GAME No. 223.

Played between F. J. MAIDWELL and "FRIEND."

"Ayrshire Lassie" (*).

11–15	17 10	8–10	8 4	11–15
24 20*	7–14	19 16	9–13	8 11
8–11	26 23	12–19	27 24	15–18
28 24	2– 6	23 16	14–18	11 15
4– 8	25 22	18–22	20 16	1– 5
23 19	15–18	26 17	11–27	29 25
10–14	22 15	13–22	32 14	22–29
19 10	11–18	16 12	10–17	15 22
6–15	24 19	8–11	21 14	
22 17	3– 7	12 8	7–11	W. wins.
9–13	31 26	5– 9	4 8	

"Friend" played Black.

The Defence of London.—The War Office authorities have decided to strengthen the defences at the entrances of the Thames and Medway by constructing a new fort on the Isle of Grain. A position has been selected in close proximity to the existing fort, and the work will be taken in hand without delay. The fort will be armed with long-range breech-loading and quick-firing guns, which will command the navigable channels leading up the Thames and into Sheerness Harbour.

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Rosalind's Fashions.

VARIETIES of all sorts come and go, but how few real novelties it is possible to record in millinery, or, for that matter, in any other sartorial department, relying as we do mainly on revivals of past modes wherewith to freshen the jaded ones of the present. As no modish wardrobe this season will be complete without a black picture-hat of some kind, in Fig. 1 I introduce a model which was a compromise between hat and toque, and therefore a form that might recommend itself to those who may not find one or the other specially becoming. This is built entirely of black chiffon on the broad lines so becoming to most faces. It is sprinkled over with tiny cut-steel beads, the broad bows across the front being held by a cut-steel buckle, and an aigrette of black ostrich feathers completes the left side. A species of somewhat exaggerated sailor shape, either entirely swathed in one of the various transparencies now in vogue, or of fancy straw much trimmed, are obtaining just now, and are worn tilted up on the left side with a *chou* of some kind beneath the brim.

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A Smart Little Bodice of fine black cloth makes its bow in Fig. 2. It is cut with low neck and round collar to show an under collar of white satin overlaid with white guipure lace gathered slightly at the bust, as some of the newest pouched bodices are, and finished by a knot tie of white satin with lace-insertioned ends.

A BLACK AND STEEL PICTURE-HAT.

A SMART LITTLE BODICE.

A pretty toque is also shown here of grey tulle and pink poppies.

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Contemporary with the new shade, "celery"—which is so difficult to describe, being an indefinite combination of faint green, faint biscuit, and ivory tint—is a new shade of pink (not a pretty one, in my personal opinion) which closely resembles the hue of pink blotting-paper. This is being much exploited just now, and is the colour of the frieze cloth which composes the gown sketched in Fig. 3. This, it will be seen, has a short pleated skirt on the now prevailing lines, with a mitred strap of black velvet from the waist to where the pleats are allowed to fly free. Similar velvet straps take the place of revers on the double bolero, which is worn over a vest and pouched under-bodice, and also head the sleeves.

FRIEZE CLOTH AND BLACK VELVET.

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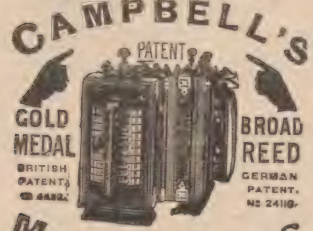

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THE WORLD OF WOMEN.

"WHAT IS WORN?" What is the very latest Fashion in which I may venture to have a new gown made by the middle of May?" writes an anxious correspondent. My dear lady, I reply, everything is worn. You can have your new frock made with a large box-pleat at the back, and plain over the hips; or with pleats on the hips, which may be stitched down to the knee, or a little above, or left loose according to taste. The great thing is to have the bottom of the skirt

Wide and Flowing.

You must not think about the inconvenience of it, if you have not a carriage, as you desire to be in the fashion. In bodices there is a great variety, but the bolero is a favourite style, and made in coarse, string-coloured lace, it looks well over a bright-tinted lining, but it is not becoming to every figure; it does not always reach the waist-line at the back, and that is what makes it so very trying. In order to make the tight, plain sleeves less unbecoming, very large collars, with wide revers, are worn; but some prefer a few tucks or frills at the top of the sleeve. I find that very few women really like the

Tight Sleeves;

and yet there is no rebellion against them, because I really believe women would, as the old saying is, rather "be out of the world than out of fashion." I confess that I long for the introduction of really pretty and artistic styles, and more individuality in dress. I am told that the bolero bodice is much favoured by bridesmaids. At a recent country wedding the bridesmaids wore dresses of white

Flowered Silk

of a quaint and old-world pattern; the zouave—which is another name for bolero—bodices were lined with silk of the principal colour in the flower design of the silk, and the fronts were fulled lace; cornflowers were the floral design on the silk, and the white chip hats were trimmed with white chiffon and cornflowers. At another

Country Wedding

the bridesmaids wore very pretty frocks of white spotted silk, fichus of pale blue chiffon, and black picture-hats with blue and white feathers. I am told that there is to be a revolution in the very ugly and trying dress which custom, rather than fashion, has ordained for widows. It is, indeed, full time that some change were made. The idea that grief is shown by

The Quantity of Crape

that is put on is slowly giving place to a less pagan form of exhibiting sorrow. The heavy black crape veil which hangs at the back of a widow's bonnet is not only ugly, but very uncomfortable, as the wearer cannot lean back without having her bonnet nearly jerked off her head. The sooner it disappears the better. Many of the younger widows defy custom and refuse to wear it, but those who are older, and more

Governed by Convention,

have not the moral courage to strike out a new custom. Unfortunately, the Royal Family has been hitherto conventional in the matter of mourning, and women like to copy them; but they never think of doing so in other matters connected with the toilet.

Miss Edna May's Dresses

in the new Kerker-Morton comic opera, "An American Beauty," are as charming as this fascinating lady herself. Her white riding-habit is very *chic*. And what shall be said of the Empire coat worn by the dainty actress at the Shaftesbury Theatre? This and her other beautiful dresses were made by Jay's, Limited, of Regent Street. You will see by Mr. Albert's sketch (reproduced by gracious permission from the *Lady's Pictorial*) how gracefully Messrs. Jay fashioned this lovely costume of ivory-white satin brocaded in a design of flowers and trailing true-lovers' knots, which are all outlined by an embroidery of dull gold paillettes. These pretty, softly shimmering things cluster closely, too, on the bolero and sleeves of Venetian lace, where clusters of grey and white pearls are also introduced, while a fringe of pearls borders the coatee and also edges the long scarf ends of filmy lace which fall to the hem of the coat.

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An Interesting Marriage

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Concert Tour in America,

and they may possibly visit Australia. Miss Clara Butt is far above the ordinary height of women, and her figure is perfectly proportioned and graceful. As a singer, she is too well known to need any comment from me. The summer programme of

The Women's Institute

has just reached me, and very interesting it is. "The housing of the labouring classes" will be the subject of a debate on the evening of May 21, and on June 18 the subject is: "That a mother is not necessarily the best trainer of her children." I can imagine how keen the discussion will be upon a question which, some years ago, it would not have been thought

Possible to Question.

But our eyes are more open now, and we are sadly aware that, in many cases, the mother is one of the most unfit of all people to train her children. I have, in a former letter, given the amount that must be paid by would-be members of the Women's Institute. Professional workers, ten-and-sixpence subscription and ten-and-sixpence entrance-fee; non-professional, one guinea subscription and one guinea entrance-fee. For all particulars address the General Secretary, 24, Queen Anne's Gate, St. James's Park, S.W., not, as heretofore, to the Institute, 15, Grosvenor Crescent, S.W.

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Prevent a Modern Girl

from doing exactly as she likes, and the more her marriage is opposed the more determined she will probably become to marry the man. I should say, withdraw all active opposition; let her meet the man in her own home, and it is just possible that, before the year is out, and

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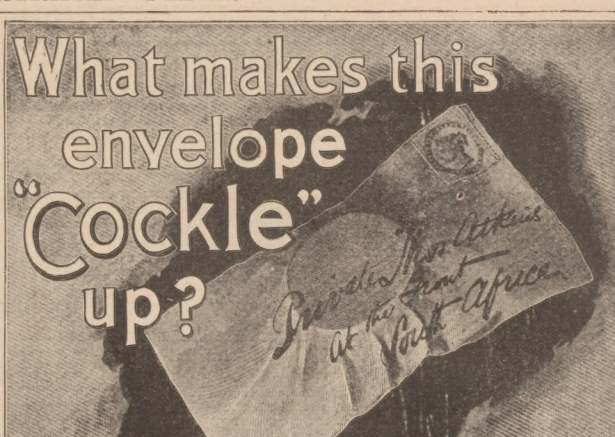

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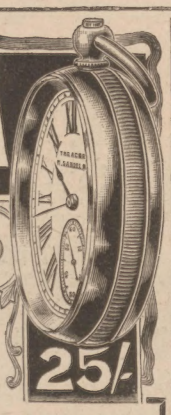

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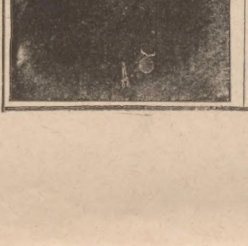

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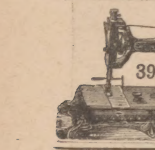

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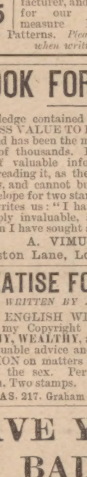

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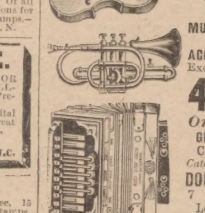
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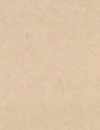

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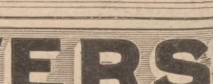

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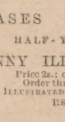

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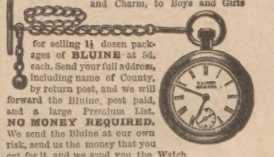

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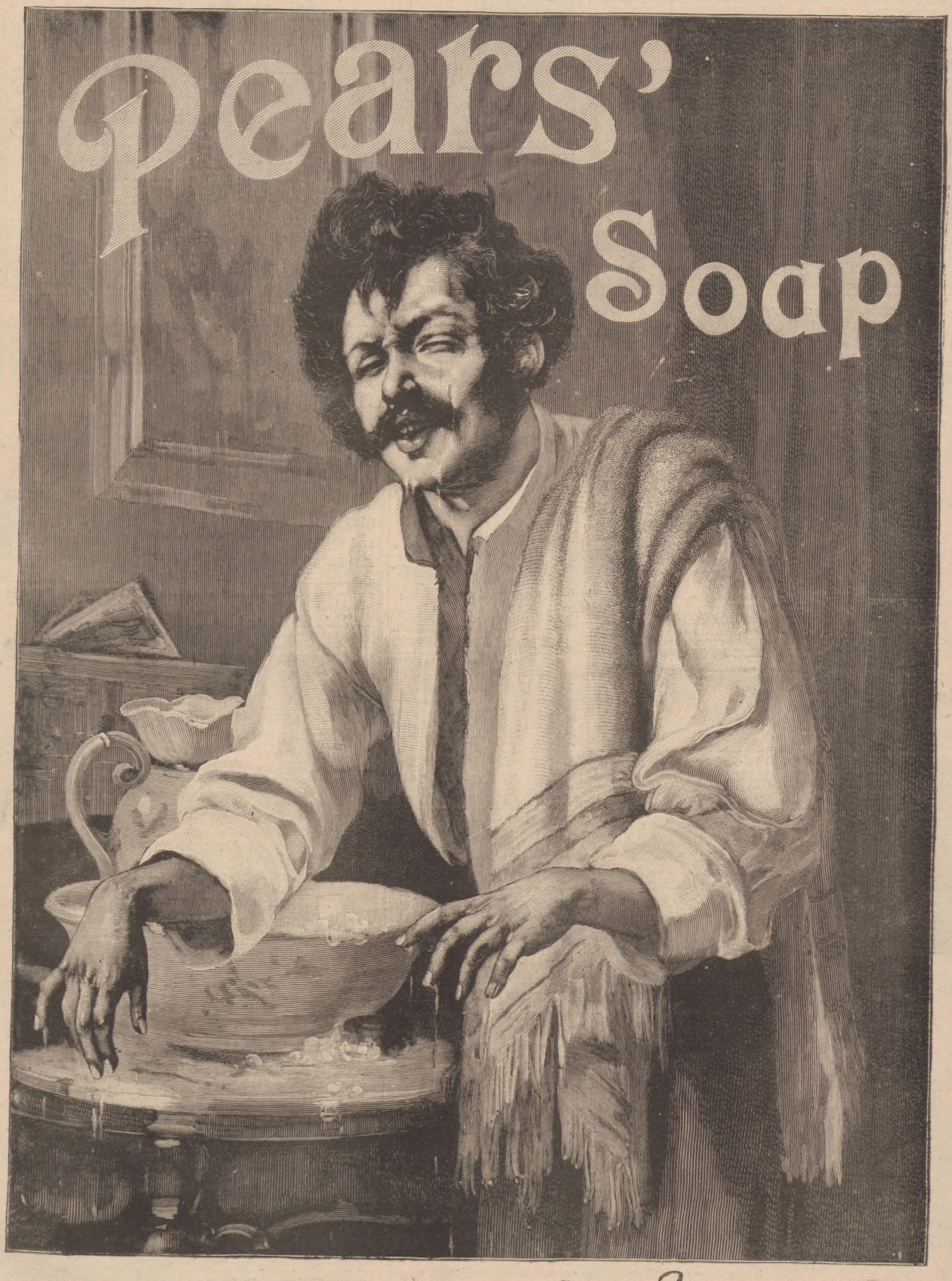
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